THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION AND LIABILITY ACT

14-26. Federal Lien

- 1. **AUTHORITY.** Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, as amended, to file notice of and assert either a federal lien upon real property and any rights to such property, or a maritime lien in favor of the United States.
- 2. TO WHOM DELEGATED. Regional counsel.
- 3. LIMITATIONS.
 - a. The delegatee must notify the assistant administrator or designee for Enforcement and Compliance Assurance when exercising this authority.
 - b. The delegatee must notify the director or designee, Superfund and Emergency Management Division, when exercising this authority.
- 4. REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.
 - a. This authority may be redelegated to the branch chief level, or equivalent, and no further.
 - b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.
- 5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.
 - a. CERCLA §§ 107(1), (r), and (m).
 - b. Delegation 14-12, "Civil Judicial Enforcement Actions."

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